

men and women for all to see, hear, and recognize, and I call on my colleagues to rise and join me in expressing gratitude.

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#### HONORING THE LIFE AND SERVICE OF FREDERICK DAKOTA

#### HON. JACK BERGMAN

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 20, 2021*

Mr. BERGMAN. Madam Speaker, it is my honor to recognize the life of Frederick Dakota, who passed away recently after a lifetime of service to our country and his fellow Michiganders. Through his constant dedication, tenacity, and leadership, Fred became an essential part of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, and the United States of America.

Fred was born in Zeba, Michigan, on September 13, 1937, and was immediately welcomed into the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. After attending L'Anse Area Schools, he went on to serve in the U.S. Marine Corps for six years and became one of the first M60 machine gunners. Shortly after retiring from the USMC, Fred moved to Baraga, where he began his public service in 1968 as a Councilmember of the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community. He would go on to serve on the Council for fifty years, being elected Tribal Chairman on numerous occasions. Fred became nationally renowned and respected as a Native American leader, being given the unofficial title of the "Father of Indian gaming."

Fred passed away on September 17, 2021, at his home in Baraga, MI. He is missed dearly by his family and friends, and his legacy will live on for generations to come. Fred's tireless devotion to the KBIC community and the public good improved the lives of countless Tribal members. The impact of his service as a truly passionate Native American leader cannot be overstated.

Madam Speaker, on behalf of Michigan's First Congressional District, I ask you to join me in honoring the life of Frederick Dakota. He will be forever remembered for the many lives he bettered through his tireless service.

#### HONORING RODERICK TOWNSEND

#### HON. JERRY McNERNEY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 20, 2021*

Mr. McNERNEY. Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing and celebrating Roderick Townsend for his record-breaking success at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games. Born with nerve damage to his right arm and shoulder, Roderick's incredible journey overcoming adversity has demonstrated that perseverance and hard work can lead to great achievements.

Roderick, a native of Stockton, California, graduated from Lincoln High School. He demonstrated his athletic prowess as a member of Lincoln High School's varsity football team, where he was selected as the 2009 team captain, as well as a San Jose Athletic Association first team defensive end and second team all-area player. Roderick later went on to attend San Joaquin Delta College, where he competed in the decath and high jump. During the 2012 season, he was selected as the Delta College Track and Field Team captain and was ranked seventh in the nation and second in the state of California for his high jump performances. He still holds the Delta College high jump record and Delta College Track Facility record. Roderick went on to graduate from Boise State University and then received his Master of Education from Northern Arizona University.

Making his international debut at the Arizona Grand Prix in 2015, Roderick quickly made a name for himself on the international scene representing the United States in the World Championships in high jump, long jump, and triple jump. Roderick's years of hard work culminated in him being selected to compete in his first Paralympic Games in 2016 in Rio

de Janeiro, Brazil, where he clinched double gold medals by winning both the long jump and high jump T47—setting Paralympic world records in both.

Aspiring to reach even greater heights, Roderick competed in the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Games as a member of the United States Paralympics Track and Field Team. Once again having the honor to represent his country in the world's foremost athletic competition, Roderick set the Paralympic world record by leaping 2.15 meters in the men's high jump T47 and in doing so, earned his third gold medal to date. Additionally, he earned the silver medal and achieved his personal record of 7.43 meters in the men's long jump T47.

Roderick also chose to put his years of experience to work serving the youth of his community as a track and field coach. He has coached at Delta College and Jim Elliott Christian High School in Lodi, California, and served as a sports performance coach at The Performance Project in Stockton. Roderick currently serves as a full-time assistant coach with the Northern Arizona University's Men's and Women's Track and Field program.

Roderick serves as an example for young athletes across this country, demonstrating that no matter your circumstances, with hard work you can achieve greatness. I'm honored to recognize Roderick Townsend for his distinguished athletic achievements and ask my colleagues to join me in wishing him the best of luck in his future competitions.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF THE FLOWER MOUND HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS SOCCER TEAM

#### HON. MICHAEL C. BURGESS

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, September 20, 2021*

Mr. BURGESS. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the Lewisville ISD Flower Mound High School Girls Soccer Team, the Jaguars, for their state championship victory at the UIL Division 6A Championship on April 16, 2021.

The Lady Jaguars, led by senior Riley Baker—a Kansas State signee voted MVP for the championship, junior Sydney Becerra—a Texas A&M signee, and Head Coach Misail Tsapos, secured the state title in a 2–1 game against Austin Vandergrift High School. The team is to be commended for the exemplary teamwork and sportsmanship practiced all season. I am proud to join our community in celebrating their noteworthy accomplishments.

Though the Jaguars were heavily impacted by the challenges of the COVID–19 pandemic, the team overcame and surpassed their obstacles to attain its second state title. I applaud the grit and talent exhibited by each player.

It is my privilege to recognize the outstanding performance of the Flower Mound Jaguars in the 2020–2021 soccer season. I wish the players and coaches continued success in future seasons, both on and off the playing field.